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Dear Dr. Merrifield:

I was very pleased to hear of your satisfaction with our efforts to support your work in the industrial competitiveness area. The work that is getting started with our Civil Technology and Industry people on telecommunications should further this cooperative venture even more. Furthermore, we look forward to supporting the new analytical efforts that you are currently initiating, i.e., the investment and industrial sensitivity model and the assessment of US technology losses at critical stages in the innovation cycle. I believe that we both have much to learn in these areas and that the US Government and private sector will greatly profit from our joint efforts. the Chief of the Civil Technology and Industry Division, will be in touch with you to work out the details of our involvement on both of these new initiatives.

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I also wish to express my appreciation for your support of the efforts of Mr. Jan Herring, the NIO for Science and Technology, and the project leader for the new Biotechnology Center, in their new work. I believe both can help you in your efforts to improve the international competitiveness of US industry and encourage you to continue the dialogue with them.

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Sincerely,

/s/ William J. Casey

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